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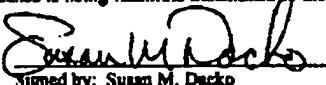
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Title: FILTERING FACE MASK THAT USES AN EXHALATION VALVE THAT HAS A  
MULTI-LAYERED FLEXIBLE FLAP

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